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INCREASE TRUCK PRODUCTION, MAKE NEW_TYPE LOCOMOTIVES

USE PRODUCTION-LINE METHODS FOR ALL-HUNGARIAN CSEPEL TRUCK -- Budapest, Friss Ujsag, 9 Fec 51

The rewest pride of Hungarian industry, the Csepel truck, is seen with increasing frequency on streets and highways. This strongly built truck is completely a Hungarian product. The engine and undercarriage are produced at the Csepel Auto Factory and the cab and engine housing at the Ikarusz Body Plant.

Freviously, the chassis was manufactured in a corner of the large hall of the Ikarusz plant. Because of the crowded conditions, chassis production lagged between 85 and 90 percent of plan. The broad, light room, Ikarusz Shop No 16, in which the chassis is now manufactured, was occupied in October 1950. Nearly 10,000 parts go into the boilding of the chassis, which is assembled on a moving production line. The production plan was fulfilled in December, and production increased greatly during January. The more than 200 workers of Shop No 16 pledged to increase production 150 percent and to produce 24 chassis above plan before the coming Congress of the Hungarian Workers' Party. To intensify production, it has been planned to expand the night shift, which has hitherto been only a contributing factor in production, to full-scale operation, so that shipments of completed trucks may also be made at night.

PRODUCE NEW EXPRESS LOCOMOTIVE -- Budapest, Nepszava, 15 Feb 51

The first of the new powerful express steam locomotives is to be completed by the Hungarian State Iron, Steel, and Machine Factories (MAVAG) by 15 February. Latest technical advances, including automatic coal feed, are utilized in the design of the engine. The diameter of the driving wheels is 2 meters. The new locomotive will draw a train of 20 Pullman-type cars at a speed of 120 kilometers ner hour on the Miskolc-Budapest and the Budapest-Debrecen lines.

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MAVAG is also building the new 3,200-horsepower, 2,500-ton Kando electric locomotive, which has a speed of 125 kilometers per hour.

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